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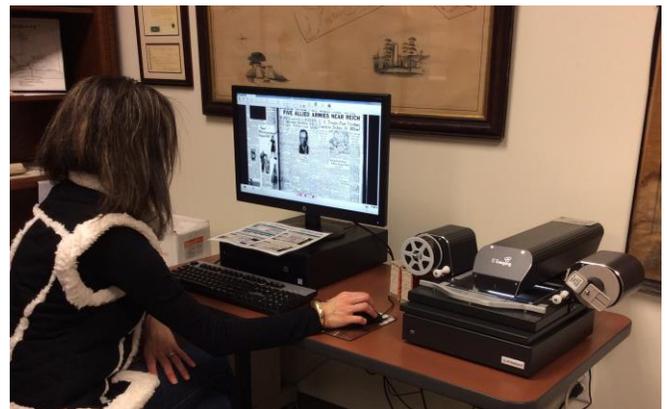
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New Service at the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public Library

Microfilm Digital Reader & Scanner at the Clifton Park-Halfmoon Public library

Clifton Park, NY- The Clifton Park Halfmoon Public Library is proud to announce the installation of its new ST ViewScan III digital microfilm reader and scanner. This scanner makes viewing microfilm a simple, easy-to-use process for researchers. Microfilm has not gone the way of the floppy disc due to its archival value as a medium for highly specialized information. If stored properly, microfilm can last more than 500 years, making it the best preservation option available for valuable historical information resources. Genealogists and local history buffs who often borrow microfilm through interlibrary loan will enjoy the features of this new equipment.

"We are always looking for innovative ways to meet our patron's needs, and this microfilm reader and scanner provides them with dynamic digital technology," said Angela Strong, Assistant Director of Technology. "Using this scanner, patrons can easily clip newspaper articles spread over many columns, keeping only the needed information. Documents that



have deteriorated when they were filmed, can be enhanced with this reader's software. Besides printing, images can be saved to a USB drive or emailed saving steps and time for researchers. Another feature is the ability to add notes, a bibliography, highlight and add a variety of drawing elements to the scanned image".

The microfilm digital reader and scanner is located in the Library's Local History Room. The Local History Room is open Mondays from 1-4 pm, Thursdays 5-7pm or by appointment.

For information about the microfilm digital reader and scanner or the Local History Room at the Clifton Park Halfmoon Public Library, contact Angela Strong, Assistant Director of Technology, or Tenaya Bannon, Local History Librarian, at 371-8622.

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